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DURING A CONVERSATION AMBASSADOR KOMER AND I HAD WITH PRIME MINISTER KY, AMBASSADOR KOMER ASKED KY WHETHER HE HAD DECIDED ON THE MAKEUP OF HIS PRESIDENTIAL TICKET. KY REPLIED THAT FRIENDS OF HUONG HAD BEEN TALKING TO HIM DURING THE LAST FEW DAYS ABOUT COMBINING FORCES. HE HAD TOLD THEM THIS WOULD DEPEND ON WHAT POSITION HE WOULD OCCUPY, THAT OBVIOUSLY HE WOULD NOT BE INTERESTED IN BECOMING A VICE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE. IF, ON THE OTHER HAND, HUONG WERE INTERESTED IN RUNNING AS VICE PRESIDENT OR BECOMING PRIME MINISTER, THIS MIGHT BE POSSIBLE. HE EXPECTED TO HAVE FURTHER TALKS WITH HUONG'S EMISSARIES.

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